IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

DePuy Mitek, Inc.)
a Massachusetts Corporation)
Plaintiff.)
v.) Civil No. 04-12457 PBS
Arthrex, Inc. a Delaware Corporation, and)))
Pearsalls Ltd. a Private Limited Company of the United Kingdom)))
Defendants.))

<u>Plaintiff DePuy Mitek's Motion In Limine (No. 2) to Preclude Arthrex from Presenting</u> <u>Evidence that Mitek Performed Pre-Suit Testing on Coated vs. Uncoated FiberWire</u>

Plaintiff, DePuy Mitek ("Mitek") moves the Court to preclude Defendants Arthrex, Inc. and Pearsalls, Ltd. (collectively, "Arthrex") from presenting evidence of Mitek's privileged, work product pre-suit testing on coated vs. uncoated FiberWire sutures. Arthrex has already mentioned that Mitek performed pre-suit testing and failed to produce the results, implying that the results were favorable to Arthrex. But Arthrex's counsel fails to mention that the samples were processed in a way in which the coating was not the only difference between the sutures. Arthrex's attempt to create an "adverse inference" is: (1) contrary to the policies behind the attorney-client privilege and/or work product doctrine; (2) completely irrelevant to the sole triable issue of infringement; and (3) unfairly prejudicial to Mitek. Mitek requests that the Court preclude Arthrex from submitting any evidence or making any argument that Mitek performed pre-suit testing on coated and uncoated FiberWire per FED. R. EVID. 402 and 403.

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